



State of Wisconsin
Governor Tony Evers

Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
Bradley M. Pfaff, Secretary

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by email

Liam Knox
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re: Open Records Request #19-93

Dear Mr. Knox:

On behalf of the custodian of records for the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, I respond to your February 7, 2019 request under the Wisconsin Public Records Law for "a copy of all communications, memos, and other documents related to the Foxconn factory in Mt. Pleasant, Wisconsin, from 2015-2019, including: internal emails regarding the Foxconn facility, communications with Foxconn employees and administrators regarding the facility and/or conditions for its construction, reports on the facility and its environmental and economic impact, communications, memos or reports on the salary, conditions and responsibilities of workers at the Foxconn facility, communications from constituents about the Foxconn facility, and any document including the key word 'Foxconn'."

The department must deny the part of your request to search emails for the entire agency. This does not provide a reasonable limitation as to subject matter or time period as required by Wis. Stat. § 19.35(1)(h). It would require a search of the email and all other records of each of the Department's employees from 2015-2019. This would be an unreasonable burden on the Department's time and resources. See *Schopper v. Gehring*, 210 Wis. 2d 208, 565 N.W.2d 187 (Ct. App. 1997).

We are required to inform you that to the extent this amounts to a partial denial of a written request for records, it is subject to review by mandamus under Wis. Stat. § 19.37(1), or upon application to the Attorney General or a District Attorney.

Enclosed are documents responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

Sheri Walz
Legal Counsel

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